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MARTIN BYRNES WAS TOO FOXY FOR CULLEN AND FOX, HUNTERS

How Tavern Keeper Ferreted Secret of Game Bag and Gave It to Ab Mosher

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Story No. 37

Undoubtedly nine out of ten of thosee who read this article have at one time or another visited the Orpheum in San Francisco and come away satisfied with the entertainment given them, feeling fully justified for the money expended in that respect, but had you taken a like amount of good collateral, including your car fare and the amount the dinner, of which you probably partook after the theater, cost you, and made a trip to the old road house on the San Mateo and Halfmoon Bay turnpike, now converted into a highway, when mine host Martin Byrnes presided over that hostelry, caught the genial proprietor in one of his jocund moods and listened to his blarney as your shillings passed over the bar, you would have returned feeling that a trip to the metropolis was superfluous.

There was but one Martin Byrnes in San Mateo county. By that I do not mean that there were not others with the same name, but none so well known and I might say distinguished, as he who presided over the destinies of the old Byrnes store in the days when the political bees were buzzing around the county every two years. There is no need for me to state that Martin Byrnes was not a Frenchman and to even suggest such a thing to him during his lifetime would result in having to throw up your dukes and place yourself on the defensive on short notice. Talk about Tipperary, the Emerald Isle or the land of the shamrock and a smile would at once lighten his broad countenance as he reached back to get the clinking glasses and ask you to have one on old Martin.

When I first met Martin Byrnes he was along between 50 and 55, a man large of stature, broad shouldered, inclined to being stout and somewhat rotund in appearance, as men following his vocation often become, with dark hair, somewhat baldheaded, black mustache, dark, heavy eyebrows, and deep set keen black eyes that almost sparkled when he was at his best. Take such a man, dress him in ordinary dark clothes, minus a coat, turn back his shirt sleeves and place upon his large, well developed head a soft black hat, usually tilted backward, and you have a pretty fair pen picture of the gentleman as I remember him. He was a shrewd, calculating man, he thought quickly, was staunch and true blue to those to whom he was a friend, and just as bitterly opposed to those whom he did not wish to see elected to office in this county. It would be difficult indeed for me to imagine Martin Byrnes ever passing out soft drinks over his bar, even were he living today. His chief delight was to see the boys drink the strong stuff, although he was not averse to drawing you a glass of beer while the silver was jingling merrily over the bar. Of hard liquor he sold two qualities, one of which was known as Mountain Dew, usually kept in a dark brown bottle without any label, about three drinks of which were guaranteed to furnish more kick than the old mule Maud caricatured in the San Francisco Sunday Examiner. In fact, it is a matter within my recollection that two young men from—well, it does not matter where—started for Halfmoon Bay one day to fish for abalones. They stopped to see old Martin, partook of three or four drinks from the brown bottle and the next thing they knew they woke up in Belmont. Still his Mountain Dew would compare favorably with some of the "New Mown Hay" which is so easily obtained in these days of prohibition, so called, while a man by the name of Volstead is making a miserable failure of attempting to dictate to one hundred million people what they should and should not do. Martin did keep some good liquor, however, in the shape of case goods, but before he broke the seal on one of his bottles there had to be sufficient money on the bar to justify his pulling the cork at about 25 cents per.

In writing this story I am skipping over a few years in my duck hunting career, for the reason that the incidents related herein occurred at this very time of the year, between Thanksgiving and Christmas, when all the world is more or less joyous and seems better by reason of the sociability evinced on every hand. The wild ducks had long since left the ponds and stubble fields for lack of food and I had adopted the sculling boat as the only means left to acquire a string of birds. For two with little results. Upon the occasion of my second return with about eight or nine birds I met Jim Cullen as I was on my way home and he stopped me to learn the latest news in the webfoot line. He had not acquired the art of sculling and hence had been for some time without any ducks to eat, although in former years he had brought in hundreds of them.

"I'll tell you, Jim," I said as he accosted me, "I'm about disgusted with the scull boat hunting on Sundays. There were so many launches chasing the birds on the bay that it is impossible to get a decent shot, and the ducks all beat it early in the morning for the Spring Valley lakes. Now if you want to get a mess of game next Sunday take your horse and buggy and we will start early and I will guarantee that when we return you will not go home duck hungry for the lack of not having any."

Jim's eyes sparkled, for he liked the sport, was a fine shot and we had been out many times together and always made good. "You bet I'll go," he replied, "for I haven't tasted a duck this year."

The following Sunday, after having partaken of a hearty breakfast, we packed our lunch, ammunition and guns in Jim's one-seater and at 4:30 we were off. Driving up the county road to Belmont, we crossed the track, taking the old grade to the top of the foothills, and entered what is known as the Rowell field to the southward. It was still half an hour before daylight, but already other hunters were on the grounds to catch the first flocks to cross the ridge as they winged their way from the bay to the broad expanse of fresh water owned by the Spring Valley Company. We drove on down the field a short distance so as not to interfere with the shooting of the others and took our stand. In a short while we perceived the flush of dawn in the east, and ten minutes more elapsed before the first birds passed over. It was not light enough yet to see them, but the flutter of those wings told us that the birds were wise ones; they were leaving the marshes and bay before scull boat or launch could possibly see them, and were crossing the ridge in the starlight when the keenest eye could not detect them. As the day continued to break it became lighter and we could make out the dark lines of the swiftly moving flocks and the bombardment was on. All along the line of that ridge there was a continuous banging, but the morning was clear, with no fog, and consequently the birds led high; but Jim Cullen and myself were not novices in the occupation we were following that morning; No. 4 shot pulled them down out of the sky where No. 6 would not draw a feather. Some of the boys or men were using No. 7, which a wild duck crossing that ridge at a height of from 40 to 50 yards and at a terrific speed would only laugh at. Give them the No. 4 and lead them, was our motto, and when the flight had ceased just after daylight we had more ducks than a dozen other hunters together, who were standing in a better place than we were and had more shooting. Going back to the buggy we put the ducks in a grain sack, got some smaller shot and prepared to hunt rabbits and quail. How delighted Jim was; it did me good to see the pleasure he was obtaining from that hunt, for he had not been out for so long.

After skirting the Brittain hills and killing three or four rabbits and a couple of quail, we drove back through the field, down the old grade toward the lake, turned southward, taking our time as we went along, and about 9 o'clock reached the vicinity of what is now known as the "Rock Circle," where John Claffey, the sixth member of the board of supervisors of this county, lived in a little old cabin during his declining years. We then had game enough to satisfy almost any two ambitious hunters, but Jim had not been out for some time, so we decided to make a day of it, and turning westward drove along what was then one of the most beatuifully wooded and scenic thoroughfares of the county, a road which has but recently been closed to the public forever. Quail and rabbits were in abundance, so we let the horse walk slowly, stopping every once in a while to knock over a bunny, and between 11 and 12 o'clock reached the old Casey place just below the Byrnes store on the Spanishtown road, presided over by the gentleman I have heretofore spoken of.

The day was quite warm and we were both somewhat hungry, so we decided to drive on up to the store, have a glass of beer, eat our lunch and have a good laugh with old Martin. It is said that he who laughs last laughs best. I have no doubt of it now, after our experience of that day.

The chief guardian of the property of the Spring Valley at that time, or rather of Crystal Springs lake, was Abner Mosher, whom many of the old timers will remember, some with pleasure, others with regret; but however, be it said of him that he was a fine fellow but a man who knew no friends while performing his duties for the company by which he was employed, and I will say here, without fear of contradiction, that he was one of the most faithful of those on the pay roll of the Spring Valley Water Company. He was on the job night and day and woe betide the unlucky hunter who poached on the water company's property if he fell into the clutches of Abner Mosher. He was not afraid of the devil or the deep sea and if any trespasser had the temerity to try to run a bluff on the keeper of the Crystal Springs lake he was called so quickly that it almost took his breath away. Foghorn Murphy, the announcer at Recreation Park in San Francisco, had nothing on Ab Mosher when it came to a good pair of lungs and a far reaching voice, which could be heard clear across the lake.

Now, W. B. Lawrence, the superintendent of the S. V. W. Co., and myself were schoolmates at old St. Mathew's Hall at San Mateo, had always been good friends and I did not wish to place myself in the position of having him think that we had been poaching on the property of his company, but I knew full well that if Martin Byrnes ever got his eagle eye into that sack of game in our buggy Ab Mosher would soon become aware of the fact that we were in the vicinity with a bunch of ducks and would naturally conclude we had killed them in the lake and would so inform Mr. Lawrence. We concluded, howeves, that we would not remain long and during the short time we were there our combined wits would be exercised in keeping the old gentleman from peeping into that sack. Accordingly we drove up to the store very bravely, or at least with an air of confidence. Traffic was not heavy that day and no one was in sight as we slowly climbed the hill, but Martin himself, basking in the sun on the front porch. He had seen us coming and as he stood there looking over the rims of his spectacles, with his arms akimbo, he seemed to be meditating as to just how much money we were going to part with ere we again bade him goodby. We had both met him before, so we were no strangers.

"Well, well, me boys, how be ye?" was his first salutation. "And how are all the boys down in the valley?"

"Fine," said Jim. "We are going to stop for a while, Martin, eat our lunch and have a glass of beer."

"Right sure you can, me lads; tie your horse in the shed yonder. Your things will be all right in the buggy, for old Martin keeps his eye on everything around here."

We were well aware of that fact, but we did not want him to get his eye on the contents of that grain sack. While we were tying the horse a wayfarer came plodding along and stepped inside to quench his thirst. Martin's attention for the time being was distracted from us, for which we were thankful. Jim proposed that we leave the sack of game in the buggy, but I knew that would never do.

"Jim, if we do as you wish," I said, "and Jack Coleman or some of his pals happen along from San Mateo, it will be curtains for our rabbits, ducks and quail and you and I for the beefsteak or mutton chop route tomorrow."

"All right," said Jim. "We will take a chance with old Martin."

I took the sack of game and lunch and Jim carried our shotguns. As we walked into the door the stranger at the bar had the proprietor's attention, so I placed the sack down in the corner, pulled one of the green covered card tables close by, spread out the lunch, while Jim deposited the guns alongside the sack. Ordering a couple of glasses of beer we sat down and started to eat. As I sat at my table with my back to the corner, the sack and guns were partially obscured and it was our earnest desire that they should remain so.

"How is business?" said Jim as the genial Martin advanced toward us with two foaming glasses of steam beer. "Rotten, rotten," was the reply as he mused on. "Sure there be little travel on the roads these days, and here it is Sunday and I haven't made the rint today. Sure old Martin will starve up in this wind and fog. But tell me, boys, how is Judge Buck, and Johnny Johnston and Chamberlain I haven't seen them for some time."

"They were all fine when we left home," I anwered. We knew that just as long as we could keep his mind occupied on politics and politicians he would never see that sack of game.

"What is this news they be telling me," he rambled on, as we ordered another glass of beer, "about the new law so that all the county officers hold for four years? Why, they must be crazy. What are they thinking about, and old Martin up here just making his bread and butter. It's all right for the julge to hold for four years, but the rest of them, why, I would never see them at all. It's not right, my boys. There are three new votes on the ridge this year and old Martin knows just how they will go."

We had about finished our lunch as Martin arrived with our order of beer. His mind was evidently on that four year term which the county officers were about to get, but he had exhausted his vocabulary for the time being in that respect. Edging around by my chair he glanced into the corner behind me and that quick, dark eye of his caught the situation at a glance. "Be them guns loaded?" he said. We should have told him yes, with dynamite, but before I could catch my partner's eye Jim had replied:

"Not much, we are too careful for that."

That was just what Martin wanted. He had never handled firearms himself and he was more or less afraid of them, loaded or unloaded. Just what we did not wish to happen pen was developing fast.

"You don't tell me," he started in, "a whole sack full of game; sure it's great hunters ye be, and good shots, too." Jim and I felt far from being complimented. To tell the truth we felt ill at ease. All this time he was working around back of my chair and pretty soon he had his hand on the sack and had opened up the end which was not tied.

"Good gracious," he continued, "ducks, rabbits and quail; such a feed ye have."

"Yes," said Jim, "we killed the ducks up in the hayfield this morning as they were flying over to the lakes, and the rabbits and quail along the road."

"But the ducks are still warm," was Martin's rejoinder.

"They have been in the bottom of the sack," said my partner.

"Tut, tut, me boys," replied the man who had made "Mountain Dew" famous, "the old ship that brought Martin over has long since laid her bones in Davy Jones' locker off old Kinsale Head, but me eye is bright and me mind clear, and old Martin knows a thing or two when he sees it, that he does."

On he went, just as though we had admitted killing the ducks in the lake. "But I don't blame ye, my boys Sure the ducks are so thick down there in the lake that they be polluting the water which the city people has to drink. It's a downright shame and the Spring Valley ought to be prosecuted, so they had. Take it from old Martin, go down there and kill every blessed duck there is and I'll never be after squealing on ye. I am a friend of all ye boys and I want ye to know it."

How much longer he would have talked on the same line I do not know. The subject was getting rather unpleasant to us, for Abner Mosher was liable to come driving along that way at any moment. How Byrnes would square himself with Spring Valley if Mosher had suddenly appeared I do not know. We did know it was time to depart.

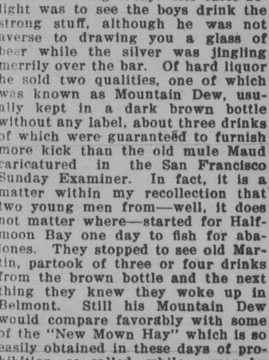
"Another glass of beer, Martin, and we will be on our way," I called out, and we arose from the table and placed our guns and game in the buggy, watered the horse and were ready to go by the time Martin had drawn the beer. As he bade us goodbye he impressed upon us the necessity of having Judge Buck, Johnny Johnston and Chamberlain come up to see him about the three new votes on the ridge and to do all we could to prevent the four year term from going into effect. As we drove away he called out, "Now, don't worry about old Martin. Sure I never would go back on the likes of ye, and remember, if Ab Mosher ever comes snooping around here for information, divil a bit will he learn from me. Goodbye, me boys, and God bless ye."

A few days after I had occasion to go down to the store of Mr. Chamberlain and as I arpoached, the late George W. Holden was standing in the doorway. As I came closer he began to smile, which finally broke into a hearty laugh.

"Just the fellow I want to see," said George. "You know Monday was supervisor day and Ab Mosher was over and dropped in to have a chat with me. During the course of our talk I asked him if there was any game up around the lake and Ab replied in his droll fashion, 'Well, there was plenty and there probably is some left, but if that Fox and Cullen keep coming up there, there won't be a duck, quail or rabbit left for anyone else to get. They were up there last Sunday and went home with a whole grain sack full. I didn't see them, but I know it for a fact, for Martin Byrnes saw the game and told me so himself.'"

Oh, the frailty of human nature! When I confided to Jim Cullen what I had learned we both took a solemn oath that never at any future time would our good money decorate the bar at the hostelry of old Martin Byrnes. We had many a fine hunt together thereafter, some of them in the same vicinity, but our hearts never again melted to the wailings of the man who had betrayed our confidence, and whether he failed or not to make the rint had no concern for us, until one day we learned he had passed on, and as death covers a multitude of sins we forgave him for permitting "old Ab Mosher to come snooping around" and secure just the information he most wished.

Start the New Year Right



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Local News Items

Floyd Granger, a truck driver and apprentice lineman in the employ of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, met with a serious mishap during the storm of last Sunday evening. The telephone wires were blown down on Webster street. Granger attempted to pick up a live one and received a severe shock. Assistance came to his rescue and he was soon detached from the wire. It then dawned upon him that he was a better truck driver than he was a lineman.

James Howard, for over a year employed in the Central Market, has resigned his position and will make his home in the city. His place has been taken by Thomas Hind.

Mr Clifton, since last May the owner of the Rubber Ace Inner Tube concern on Main street, and Mr. Kimberk, for a long time employed by the Retread Shop in Palo Alto, have purchased the Broadway Vulcanizing Works in the Germania Hall block and have named it the Ace Vulcanizing Works. Both men are experienced in this line of business. They are prepared to do all work quickly and it will be their motto to serve the public. They will keep a good stock of new and rebuilt tires. Vulcanizing and retreading a specialty.

Mrs. Henry Beeger and her pretty and charming daughters entertained a large number of friends at a dinner party at their attractive home on Maple street on Christmas eve. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Hall C. Ross and daughter, Miss Betty Ross, of San Mateo; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barneson of Atherton, Mrs. Lila Kirkpatrick, Miss Janet Ferguson, Herbert Kirkpatrick, Will Fletcher of Stanford University, Ray Nolan of San Francisco and Henry Beeger.

Redwood City Post No. 105, American Legion, has elected officers as follows for the ensuing term: C. W. McCracken, post commander (re-elected); Stanton E. Mullen, vice comamnder; M. A. Hope, post adjutant; Stanley Wood, treasurer; Floyd Grainger, sergeant-at-arms; John Lanfear, post historian.

Lee Pipkin, wife and daughter, returned Thursday evening from a motor trip to Bakersfield, where they were the guests of James Pipkin, a former Redwood City man now engaged in the drug business in the Oil City. E M Pipkin, wife and daughter came up from Los Angeles, so the occasion was a reunion of the Pipkin family. There were ten in all at the party over Christmas. A niece and nephew of Mr. Pipkin were present who were born in Redwood City. Their father left here to settle in Oklahoma many years ago. The boy and girl recently came back to their native state.

The Frank Tanning Company plant closed down last evening until Tuesday. This was done in order to allow the concern to take the annual account of stock.

On Christmas the seven boarders at Hotel de Sheehan enjoyed a dinner of roast pork and apple sauce, ice cream, mince pie, plum pudding and mixed fruit. The chef, James Coleman, saw that everyone was satisfied. The guets will enjoy a similar meal tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. P L Dougherty of 532 Whipple road, had as Christmas guests Mrs. E. Collins of Berkeley, P. P. and A. N. Dougherty of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Keith.

Attention is called to the advertisement of the San Mateo County Savings Bank and the First National Bank in which the greetings of the New Year are extended to the patrons of these institutions.

A. C. Argo on Monday went to Petaluma to secure new ideas in the school building line to incorporate them in the proposed high school here. The trustees of the chicken city have awarded a contract for the erection of a junior high school at a cost of $197,000. It is to be one of the most modern schools in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Weller entertained at their attractive home in the Highlands at a dinner party Christmas day the following guests: Mrs. J. Parody, San Mateo; Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Powers and their young son, Thomas Byrnes, San Mateo; Miss Delia Parody, Mrs. Duffy, San Francisco, and W. J. Murray, Menlo Park. Mrs. Weller demonstrated her cleverness as a hostess by the charming manner in which she received her guests. Her pretty daughter assisted her in receiving.

NEW OFFICE BUILDING FOR RICE ABSTRACT CO.

The George H. Rice Abstract Company is planing the erection of a two-story reinforced concrete building on its property between the telephone office and the Drew building on Webster street. The proposed structure will cost about $15,d00. The lower floor will be used by the company, while the upper story will be fitted up for offices. C. M. Doxsee, president of the company, stated yesterday that this floor space had already been spoken for by local professional men. He stated that work on the building would commence right after the first of the year. He expects his concern to move into it by April 1

HORTON WHIPPLE MARRIED TO WYOMING GIRL

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tracy Polly announced the marriage of their daughter, Nelly Polly Graverson, to Horton Whipple on November 5 at Sheridan, Wyo. Mr. Whipple is a former Stanford man, now resident construction engineer for the state highway department at Sheridan. He was for two years a deputy surveyor under James V. Neuman and during that time had charge of the highway construction under the bond issue. He comes from a San Mateo county pioneer family. Whipple road that divides Wellesley Park and Redwood Highlands properties, was named after his paternal grandfather. John Donnelly, his maternal grandfather, was the first resident of Burlingame and Donnelly street, the main thoroughfare of that lively city, was so named for him. Mr. Donnelly in the sixties was a prominent contractor in Redwood City.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Over the teacups held by a select coterie of friends in the tea room of the San Mateo Woman's Club the announcement of the engagement of Miss Catherine Eikerenkotter to Albert J. Rapp was passed from the lips of the engaged girl's mother, Mrs. M. Eikerenkotter. No end of favorable comment was caused by the announcing and congratulations began to pour in fast as the news spread. Miss Eikerenkotter is a teacher in the Lawrence grammar school. She is beloved by all who know her and is a great friend of the children. Rapp is a brother of Francis Rapp, San Mateo county probation officer.

Miss Eikerenkotter, who is an unusually pretty girl, is a niece of George Eikerenkotter of Redwood City and Julius Eikerenkotter, formerly supervisor of the first township.

TWO COUNTY PIONEERS SUMMONED BY DEATH

Tolman Gann

Tolman Gann, 72 years old and a pioneer of California, died at the Quinnivere sanitarium in Redwood City on Monday. He had made his home for the past several years with a grandson, William Lutje of Redwood City. Gann crossed the plains with an immigrant train in 1852 and settled near the present city of Stockton. He retired from active life eight years ago, when he moved to Redwood City. Besides Lutje, he leaves a daughter, Mrs. James McGlynn, also of Redwood City.

Jesse Palmer

After an illness of two years, during which he suffered much pain, Jesse Palmer, a pioneer of San Mateo county, passed away at his home in San Gregorio on Wednesday last. He was a native of England, aged 83. Mr. Palmer came to Redwood City fifty years ago and first worked for Jesse Rapley on the Selby ranch. The two men have been fast friends ever since. He later went to La Honda, where he became superintendent for the Hanson Lumber Company. Some years afterward he settled in San Gregorio, where he bought the San Gregorio Hotel which he conducted with success for many years. The resort was a rendezvous for hunters and fishermen and the place became famous among anglers and tourists.

Mr Palmer is survived by his widow, Mrs. Emily Palmer, and a daughter, Mrs. Frank Bell.

The deceased was known all over the state for his fair dealing and his honesty. His word was his bond. To know him was to love him.

The funeral will take place from the James Crowe Company's chapel this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment is to be in Cypress Lawn cemetery.

Lester L. Dierrsen

Lester L. Dierrsen, a native of Sacramento, aged 31, passed away Thursday at the home of his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dierrsen, of Roosevelt avenue. The young man had been a resident of Redwood City for about four months.

ROBERT BROWN WILL FILED

Mrs. Lydia M. Brown on Thursday filed the last will and testament of Robert Brown, who died on December 16, 1921, at Redwood City. The will is dated August 1, 1912, the subscribing witnesses being George C. Ross and Lee T. Ross. By the terms of the instrument all the property of the estate is left without reserve to the surviving widow, Lydia M. Brown. She is named as executrix and is to serve without bonds and is empowered to sell and apportion the property without an order from the court. The decedent purposely omits the mention of any other person. The value of the estate is not given in the petition for letters testamentary other than that it is in excess of $10,000. Ross & Ross are the attorneys for Mrs. Brown. The decedent left no children. He had sisters and brothers residing in Canada.

O'CONNOR ESTATE IS APPRAISED AT $446,731.32

H. W. Schaberg, inheritance tax appraiser of the estate of Frances C. O'Connor, has filed his inventory and appraisement. The total value of the estate has been placed at $336,731.32. It comprises cash, bonds, stock in various industrial concerns, promissory notes and real property located at San Mateo.

Palo Alto Couple Licensed

Joseph F. Loverisch, aged 44, and Agnes C. Clohan, aged 35, both of Palo Alto.

OIL DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD AT LA HONDA

What promises to be something in the nature of a sensational oil find has recently been discovered at Bell near La Honda, according to the San Francisco Petroleum and Mining Bulletin. It has resulted in the formation of a development company known as "La Honda Oil Fields Association," which has installed standard deep drilling machinery and is now conducting deep drilling operations on its leased holdings of the Silva brothers' ranch.

Here, a few rods from the main paved highway, a remarkable natural oil display is in open view to the traveling public over the road from Redwood City to La Honda and hundreds have availed themselves of the opportunity to see oil in its natuarl state flowing from the river banks into the San Gregorio and the other creeks adjoining.

While it has long been known that a productive oil bearing formation passes through the section known as the "La Honda Oil Fields," at Bellvale postoffice station, this is the first real effort that has ever been attempted to test the oil producing possibilities of this very promising section of San Mateo county. Several hundred people have already attested their faith in the results of the oil drilling operations in this field by their investments in this enterprise, which has amply financed the commencement of development.

Among those who have inspected and reported on the oil possibilities of this field are engineers and geologists, William T. Dinneen, Alexander D. McDonald, William J. Hunter, S. D. Bretherton and W. T. Denton, all men of acknowledged note in their profession, their report being embodied in the prospectus of the association in detail, with the consent of the state corporation department of California.

These reports leave no room for doubt as to their opinions that oil will be produced in commercial quantities through deep drilling operations on this field. The utmost care in locating the most favorable place for drilling the first well was employed by the engineers before the commencement of operations.

An old prospect well on this property, drilled many years ago by pioneer oil men and recently cleaned out to its depth of 500 feet, now shows oil to within about 50 feet of the surface. This oil, which is of the highest commercial quality, is of paraffine base, testing about 52 gravity, and has a value at wellside of approximately $7 per barrel as contrasted with low gravity fuel oils of asphaltum base produced in the central and southern California fields, worth only one-fourth as much as crule oil.

Several hundred feet have been attained in the new deep well now being bored under direction of expert oil well drillers from the Coalinga fields. A rich shale through the entire depth has been pierced by the drill, indicating its proximity to the first oil sands. It is proposed to test this field thoroughly to a depth of 3,000 feet or more, financing plans of the association having contemplated this intention.

It is the hope of the association that the farmers and the commercial bodies of San Mateo county in particular will support this development, as its success must resultin enormous value to the county in increase of property values and business, which is benefited and stimulated by profitable industry within its borders and vicinity. From every angle the development of an oil field and the proving up of an oil producing territory is of enormous value to the community in which it exists. Many an idle and dormant field could be in production in many sections of this state if the residents and business men had contributed within their means to the development of oil in their own vicinity.

Many of the farmers and business men of the La Honda, San Gregorio and Halfmoon Bay section have assisted in the financing of this development through their subscriptions for shares and the hauling of some 200 tons of machinery drilling equipment, timber, casing, tanks, oil fuel pipe and field necessities has been handled by the Peckham Transfer Company and fuel oil requirements by the Peninsula Burner & Oil Co.

INTERLOCUTORY DECREE IN IN FERNANDEZ DIVORCE CASE

Judge Hudner on Thursday granted an interlocutory decree of divorce to Ellen M. C. Fernandez from her husband, Jacob L. Fernandez on the ground of extreme cruelty. The plaintiff was given alimony in the sum of $50 a month. J. E. McCurdy appeared as attorney for the plaintiff.

AUTO APPROPRIATOR TAKEN TO COUNTY JAIL

Donald Mosher, accused of stealing a Mercer car at San Mateo some time ago, was arrested at Pasadena during the week and brought to the county jail here yesterday by Sheriff Sheehan. Mosher hails from Palo Alto.

LATEST FOX TROTS

Somewhere in Naples.
When Buddha Smiles.
Canadian Capers.
Sal-O-May.
I Wonder if You Still Care for Me.
June Moon.
One Kiss.
Love Will Find a Way.

LIPPMAN'S
MUSIC AND JEWELRY SHOP
No 3 Broadyay
Redwood City
Phonographs on Terms

GONE TO LOS ANGELES

Ralph E. Fletcher, Stanford man, who has been in the real estate business at Sacramento for some years, has removed to Los Angeles. He will be remembered here as a player of the slide trombone in the local band some years ago when Andy Hanson and George Long were its leading spirits. Both have long since joined the heavenly choir on high.

ANOTHER CHIROPRACTOR

Venron Y. Malcolm, young son of Norman E. Malcolm, city attorney of Palo Alto, has received his degree of D. C. and P. C. from the Palmer School of Chiropractic at Davenport, Iowa. He has opened an office in Palo Alto and contemplates spending three days a week in Redwood City.

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9:40 a. m., Sunday school.
11, morning prayer and sermon.
Meetings at the parish house—2:30 p. m. Wednesday, St. Mary's Guild; 3 p. m. Thursday, church school service league; 7 p. m. Friday, boys' choir practice.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Whitehead enjoyed Christmas at South San Francisco as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Coffinberry of that city.

FIRST EFFORTS FOR BRIDGE OUTLINED FOR SUPERVISORS

Will Investigate Means and Get to Work at Early Date---East Bay Opposition

The board of supervisors held a special meetig on Thursday morning to accept the report of the district attorney in regard to the Dumbarton bridge and to provide the ways and means for its construction. Thursday was set by the supervisors last week to have the representatives of the various chambers of commerce meet the board in order that a full discussion might be had on the all-important question.

Chairman McGrath of the Three-Cities Chamber of Commerce, J. H. Sullivan, president of the Menlo Park Chamber of Commerce; P.R. Thompson and Judge Cunningham of the South San Francisco Chamber of Commerce; Fred H. Drake and F. K. Towne of the Redwood City Chamber of Commerce.

The report of District Attorney Franklin Swart was read. It was a very lengthy document, containing several typewritten pages. The report goes into the question very deeply, explaining all angles and covering all the legal questions. It explains that the bridge may be erected in one of three ways: by a district composed of two or more counties, by the county of San Mateo, by the co-operation of San Francisco and San Mateo and by Alameda and San Mateo counties.

F. H. Drake, the principal speaker, said that it was the unanimous opinion of the people of the county that the bridge should be constructed and that work should be commenced as soon as possible. He explained that it was apparent to all that there should be three roads down the peninsula instead of one. The county needs development and the first step toward this would be the construction of the Dumbarton bridge.

Mr. Drake advocated the building of the bridge by the county, that it should have control. He explained that the county could only be bonded for $700,000 and as the bridge would cost from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000 outside aid became a necessity. He said San Francisco would be willing to pay from 65 to 70 per cent of the entire cost in order that the Hetch Hetchy aqueduct might be brought across the proposed bridge. By using the bridge for this purpose the city would not only contribute to its construction but would also defray the expenses of maintenance and so leave San Mateo county in control. Mr. Drake said that a meeting of the promoters of San Francisco bridge across the bay would be held in Oakland on January 10 and urged that a committee be appointed to attend this meeting. He also explained that about March 1 an election will be held in Oakland to consolidate the city and county governments. The people in that territory outside the city limits of Oakland are opposed to this and that portion of Alameda county might co-operate to construct the Dumbarton bridge.

P. R. Thompson urged construction of the bridge by San Mateo county with the co-operation of San Francisco, San Mateo county to be in control. Mr. Thompson was certain that a big portion of the money could be secured by the city from the Hetch Hetchy funds.

Judge Cunningham made a short and able address urging the construction of the bridge at Dumbarton.

Mr. McGrath also made an address, saying that all the people of the county were in favor of the proposed bridge and urged immediate action by the board.

It being the consensus of opinion of the board and all present that San Mateo county should build the bridge with the assistance of San Francisco, with the former in control, it was moved by Mrs. Brown and seconded by Thomas Hickey that a committee of the board be appointed to provide ways and means for the construction of the proposed bridge, the committee to gather all information possible on the question. The chairman appointed the entire board, together with the county engineer, G. A. Kneese.

Mr. Thompson said the war department had given permission for the construction of the bridge across the bay at Dumbarton Point. He stated further that Oakland was antagonistic to the proposed bridge. He produced the following resolution recently adopted by the chamber of commerce of that city:

"Resolved, that this committee concurs in the opinion of San Francisco that any proposition that furnishes rapid transportation is a fundamental essential to any community, and that this committee will do all in its power to support any plan that fairly attains to this end. It is the opinion of this committee that any bridge located in the southern end of San Francisco Bay, within the limit as prescribed by the war department, will not furnish to the cities on the east side of San Francisco Bay rapid transportation between the well established focal points in both San Francisco and Oakland.

"In view of these facts, and after careful consideration of all benefits to accrue, the committee is not in favor of the present bridge plan as submitted."

WRITING EXPERT PRESENTS BILL IN HIGHTOWER CASE

Carl Eisenschimel, the handwriting expert who gave testimony in the Hightower murder case, has filed his claim for his services. He asks for the sum of $770 for his work. He was for over a day on the witness stand. His son, a captain in the regular army, passed away in New York on December 24. The aged expert is bowed with grief

COUNTY JAIL RECEIVES SOUTHERN VISITORS

Architects and representatives of the Pauly Construction Company visited the San Mateo county jail this week to get ideas to be incorporated in a new structure to be erected at Santa Ana, county seat of Orange county. The visitors were shown over the jail by James Coleman and expressed approval of the modern safety devices and sanitary arrangements incorporated in its construction.

Mr. and Mrs. James Coleman and daughter, Helen, spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. Coleman's sister in Stockton. They speak glowingly of the growth and prosperity of that modern city.

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Don't dwell on the past, either of a pleasant or gloomy nature. It is the present that counts and the future for which concern must be manifested. If a record of prosperity or perfection has been made it is well to take heed. As is told of a clerk who prided himself on the fact that he had made no errors for two years in his job, it may be well to remember there is something else to it. The boss called him to the office and desired to know if the statement of two years without an error was correct. With a glow of pride the clerk admitted that his record was perfect.

"Well for the love of Mike, go out and make a few blunders and learn something," said the employer.

We can all strive for perfection, but attainment is impossible for erring human beings. But we can all learn from the blunders of the past, either our own or those of others, so during the new year effort must be made in that way.

As for the general outlook the world over, it is encouraging to note that prospects for peace and prosperity are good. Wise men are of opinion that war has become something too intolerable to be undertaken under any pretext. Its consequences have been proved to be too burdensome for any nation. Hence its abolition is one of the things to be secured during the year to come. As a result of this there will be the prosperity and happiness of peaceful times. Every town, city and village in the world will benefit from this changed condition. Redwood City is making its plans on the changed basis. It is the duty of every citizen to assume his part of the work and do it to the best of his ability during the coming year. Are you ready?

DEFENDANTS WIN IN THE ZIMMERMAN BOND CASE

Judge Hudner has handed down a decision in favor of the defendants in the case of Zimmerman et al. vs. H. E. Hallett, Frank P. Wentworth and C. E. Wentworth, sureties. The decision is against the bond and holds that the plaintiffs cannot recover. A. Kincaid represented plaintiffs and J. T. O'Keefe the defendants. The decsion is as follows:

The instrument sued on is neither a statutory nor a common law bond, nor indeed any kind of a bond or undertaking, or obligation of binding effect. It is awkwardly drawn and complies with neither the statute nor the order. The statute requires a bond to the people of the state; this runs to the minors; the statute requires payment to the person having custody of the minor, the order here requires payment to the county clerk.

This disposes of two essential matters, viz, that this is not a statutory bond; and if construed to be a common law obligation, there is no consideration for any contract to pay installments to the county clerk for a period of ten years.

Moreover the instrument is a felo de se. In form it is a bond binding the principal and sureties, a distinguishing feature of a bond, differentiating it from an undertaking under which the promissors may alone be bound.

Here as noted, the principal and sureties, as in any bond, each and all bind themselves to pay; whereas in the final paragraph of this instrument where naturally would be expected to be, and usually is, found the condition on which the obligation is to be void, is found a new and different assumption, viz, that if the principal fails, the sureties, not he as by the obliging part of the instrument and by law bound, will pay; and only in the event of the principal's death is the obligation to be void, presenting the absurd situation that although payment should be and were made of the installments as due the $1,000 would still be due and payable according to terms of the obligation preceding the recitals and purported condition. We have therefore both a bond and undertaking in one instruments; the latter clauses of which switch the obligation from the principal, where it belongs, and sureties to the latter alone. The instrument will not sustain a recovery and defendants will take judgment.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of San Mateo.

No. 2867.

In the matter of the estate of Charlotte Matilda Hause, deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned administratrix with the will annexed of the estate of Charlotte Matilda Hause, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of San Mateo, or to exhibit the same, with the necessary vouchers, within four (4) months after the first publication of this notice, to the said administratrix with the will annexed at the law office of Joseph J. Bullock, Stafford Bldg., Redwood City, California, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate in the County of San Mateo, State of California.

Dated this 2d day of December, A. D. 1921. CHARLOTTE A. WEEKS, Administratrix with the will annexed.
JOSEPH J. BULLOCK,
Attorney for Administratrix with the will annexed.
First publication in Times-Gazette December 3, 1921.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SAN MATEO COUNTY AND THE SAN MATEO COUNTY SAVINGS BANK:

Notice is hereby given that the regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of San Mateo County and the San Mateo County Savings Bank, will be held at the office of said corporations in the First National Bank Building, at corner of Broadway and Main street, in Redwood City, California, on Saturday, the 14th day of January, 1922, at the hour of one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors for the respective banks for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of all such further business as may properly come before such meeting.

By order of the board of directors of the First National Bank of San Mateo County, and San Mateo County Savings Bank:

L. P. BEHRENS, President.
F. K. TOWNE, Secretary.
Dated: November 12, 1921.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO.

Notice of Executrix' Sale of Real Estate at Private Sale.

In the matter of the estate of Michael F. Healy, also known as M. F. Healy, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned ,the executrix of the estate of Michael F. Healy, also known as M. F. Healy, deceased, will sell at private sale to the highest bidder, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on or after Wednesday, the 4th day of January, 1922, all the right, title ,interest and estate of the said Michael F. Healy, also known as M. F. Healy, deceased, at the time of his death, and all his right, title and interest in and to the real property hereinafter described, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate has, by operation of law, or otherwise, acquired, other than or in additon to that of said deceased, at the time of his death, of, in, and to that certain real property situate, lying and being in the County of San Mateo, State of California, and particularly described as follows, to-wit:

1. Lot Numbered Twenty-one (21), in Block Numbered One Hundred and thirty-three (133) in Buckingham's Subdivision (as per Supplemental Map of said Block 133) of the South San Francisco Land and Improvement Company's property in the said Town of South San Francisco, which said map was filed in the office of the Recorder of the County of San Mateo, California, on April 1, 1892, and recorded in Vol. C of Maps at page 27.

2. The Southerly one-half (½) of Lot Number Eleven (11) in Block Number One Hundred and thirty-four (134), as shown on the Map of South San Francisco, San Mateo Co., Cal., Plat No. 1, filed in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, March 1st, 1892, in Book 2 of Maps, at page 52.

3. Lot Numbered Seventeen (17), in Block Numbered One Hundred and Thirty-three (133) in Buckingham's Subdivision (as per Supplemental Map to said Block 133) of the South San Francisco Land and Improvement Company's property in the said Town of South San Francisco, which said map was filed in the office of the Recorder of the County of San Mateo, California, on April 1, 1892, and recorded in Vol. C of Maps, at page 27.

Terms and conditoins of sale: Cash in lawful money of the United States; ten (10) per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of the sale; balance on confirmation of sale. Deed and abstract at the expense of the purchaser.

All bids and offers must be in writing, and may be left at the office of Jas. T. O'Keefe, Attorney for the Executrix, No. 71 Broadway, Redwood City, Cal., or may be delivered to said Executrix, personally at her place of residence, No. 326 Elwood Road, Redwood City, Cal., or may be filed in the office of the clerk of this court, at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of the sale. The above descried breal estate will be sold and bids must be made and will be received and considered accordingly.

Dated this 16th day of December, 1921. ANNIE HEALY,
Executrix of the last will and Testament of Michel F. Healy, also known as M. F. Healy, deceased.
First publication in Times-Gazette December 17, 1921.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO

Notice of Administratrix's Sale of Real Estate at Private Sale

In the matter of the estate of Grace E. Duckenfield, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, the administratrix of the estate of Grace E. Duckenfield, deceased, will sell at private sale to the highest bidder, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter mentioned, and subject to confirmation by said Superior Court, on or after Wednesday, the 4th day of January, 1922, all the right, title, interest and estate of the said Grace E. Duckenfield, at the time of her death, all her right, title and interest in and to the real property hereinafter described, and all the right, title and interest that the said estate has, by operation of law or otherwise, acquired, other than or in addition to that of said deceased, at the time of her death, of, in, and to that certain real property situate, lying and being in the County of San Mateo, State of California, and particularly described as follows, to-wit: :

Lots Numbered Twenty-one (21) and Twenty-two (22) in Block Numbered Eleven (11) as laid down and designated on that certain map entited, "Bell Air Tract, San Bruno," filed in the office of the County Recorder of the County of San Mateo, State of California, August 21, 1905, in Book "D" of Original Maps, at Page 23, and copied into Map Book 3, at page 75.

Terms and conditions of sale: Cash in lawful money of the United States; ten (10) per cent of the purchase money to be paid at the time of the sale; balance on confirmation of sale. Deed and abstract at the expense of the purchaser.

All bids and offers must be in writing, and may be left at the office of Jas. T. O'Keefe, Attorney for the Administratrix, No. 71 Broadway, Redwood City, Cal., or may be delivered to said Administratrix, personally at the Court House in Redwood City, County of San Mateo, State of California, or may be filed in the office of the clerk of this court, at any time after the first publication of this notice and before the making of the sale. The above described real estate will be sold and bids must be made and will be received and considered accordingly.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1921. FLORENCE BOGGS,
Administratrix of the estate of Grace E. Duckenfield, deceased.
JAS. T. O'KEEFE,
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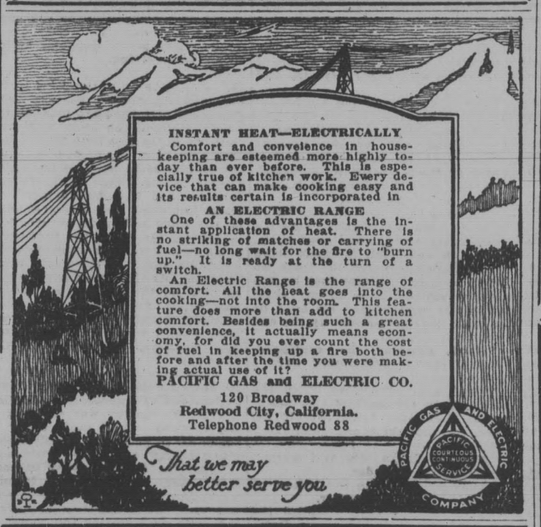
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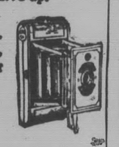

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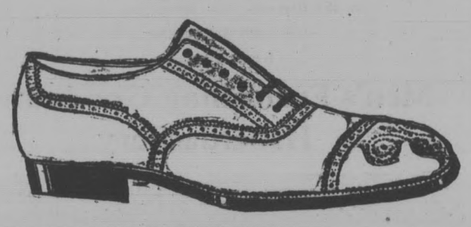

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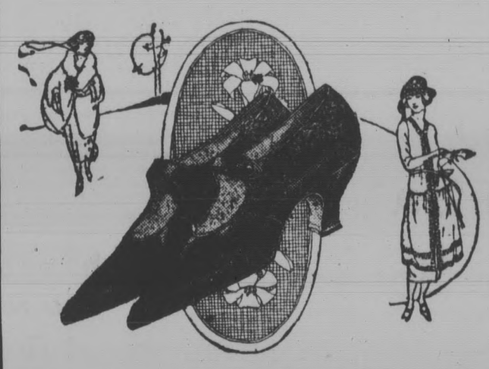

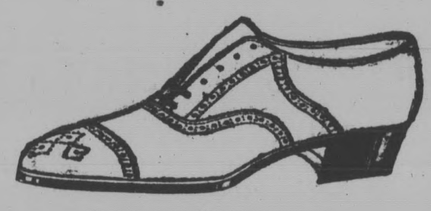

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MENLO PARK NEWS

Senator Samuel M. Shortridge arrived home late Wednesday evening from Washington, having come on the funeral train with the congressional escort bearing the body of Congressman Elston, who committed suicide at the capital last week. Owing to the sad mission of the senator and at his request his homecoming occasioned no demonstration. Mr. Shortridge has been away for nearly a year. He was glad to get home to greet his family and friends. He looks the picture of health and has gained in weight. Mr Shortridge is hopeful that the tariff bill now before congress will pass, giving ample protection to all California products. He favors the bonus bill that will come up for passage during the present session. He will make an able address in its favor. The ex-service man has no better friend than Mr. Shortridge. He expects to be in Washington by January 7. The senator noted the many improvements in and about Menlo Park made during his absence. He wishes all his kind friends in Menlo Park and San Mateo county a merry Christmas and a very happy new year.

Miss Esther Paris has departed for the eastern states to spend her vacation. Her many friends in Menlo Park wish her a pleasant visit and a safe return.

The rainfall for the present storm has been 1.25 inches and for the season 3.02 inches, as against 8 inches at this time last year.

On January 1 a prominent business man of Menlo Park will lead a fair young Menlo belle to the altar. The ceremony is to be performed with a nuptial mass in the Church of the Nativity. The bridegroom has prepared a cozy home for his bride here. After a short honeymoon to be spent in the south the young couple will be at home to their many friends on January 10.

P. J. Maloney a pioneer of Menlo Park, was seriously hurt during the week but is now reported recovering. His illness caused his family much alarm. Mr. Maloney is well advanced in years but is still hale and hearty.

St. Patrick's Seminary closed on Thursday for a two weeks' vacation. Many of the students have gone to their respective homes throughout the state.

St. Joseph's parochial school closed with appropriate exercises yesterday for a vacation of two weeks. The interesting program rendered was enjoyed by the parents of the children.

Major Gen. John F. Morrison, now in San Francisco, who was retired from the United States army Thursday after 45 years of active duty, was well known in Menlo Park. During the war he took charge of Camp Fremont after General Liggett was sent to France. General Morrison was a martinet as a disciplinarian. He trained the eighth division here, but left for the front shortly before the completion of his work. It was known in military circles that this division was the best trained division in the country. A portion of this army arrived in France just when the armistice was signed. Another part of the division was out at sea sailing for the front when peace came. General Morrison will make his home on the peninsula.

David Tuttle slipped and fell very heavily on the sidewalk at Palo Alto last week and sustained a fracture of the wrist of his right hand. An innocent banana peeling was the cause of the accident. Many people are careless in throwing away peelings of fruit on the sidewalk, with the result that others are made to suffer as in this case.

"The Stampede," a western play, and also a comedy, "Fork Over," will be shown at the Menlo Park Theater this evening. Tomorrow and Monday evenings Constance Talmage in "Up the Road with Sally" will be seen. This is a brilliant revival of one of the most charming stories ever told on the screen and was taken from the novel by Francis Sterrett. A Charlie Chaplin play will be shown both evenings.

Midnight mass will be celebrated tonight in the Church of the Nativity. A special choir will render the music. Tomorrow morning masses will be celebrated at 8 and 10:30.

Miss Irene Carter, a senior in the high school in Redwood City, was operated upon for appendicitis at St. Luke's Hospital in San Francisco last Saturday. Her many friends will be pleased to learn that she s improving nicely and will be home in about tow weeks. Her sister, Miss Louva Carter, is training at the institution and will be a full fledged nurse next year.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Midgley have returned from Vallejo, where they have been for some months. Mrs. Midgley has always taken a deep interest in all social affairs of the village and her homecoming is particularly interesting to the young set.

A Christmas tree in the Presbyterian church on Thursday evening was enjoyed by 70 little tots. Santa Claus appeared in his pretty robes and distributed precious presents from the big tree. All the children received gifts and all went away happy. Refreshments were served after the tree had been stripped of its load of good things.

The children of the Sunday school of Trinity Episcopal church enjoyed their Christmas tree in the parish hall on Wednesday. Santa Claus made his appearance early, distributing gifts to all. A nice program was rendered to the delight of the little ones.

Arthur Gale has arrived from the southern part of the state to spend the holidays with his parents.

When a man says he is demanding his rights he usually means he is demanding some special privileges.

A lot of people who seem to be hiding their lights under a bushel have a crack in the bushel.

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Court Orders

Estate and guardianship of Herman F. J. Butts. Annie S. Dill appointed guardian.

Estate of William Lipp, deceased. Contest on revocation of will continued for eight weeks.

Estate of John E. Perry, deceased. Petition for letters of administration continued for four weeks.

Estate of Carrie R. Engel, deceased. Order to show cause continued to December 29.

Estate and guardianship of Earl F. Kiel et al., minors. Further hearing on account and petition for distribution continued to December 29.

Estate and guardianship of Olivia Howard et al., minors. Fourth annual account of guardian continued to December 29.

Estate of L. Elliott, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted.

Estate of Charles F. Kohl, deceased. Will admitted to probate and Alan W. Maginnis and F. G. Drum granted letters testamentary.

Estate of Harriett E. Hughes, deceased. Petition to have trustee complete account continued to December 29.

Estate of B. Engler, deceased. Sale of real estate confirmed.

Estate of Charles M. Morse, deceased. Petition to assign estate to widow granted.

Estate of Sarah V. Mahannah, deceased. Account allowed and settled and petition for distribution granted.

Estate of Payne F. Grainger, deceased. Order to show cause to borrow money granted.

Estate of Henry Elmer, deceased. Will admitted to probate and Sarah E. Elmer granted letters testamentary.

Estate of Carl P. Peterson, deceased. Will admitted to probate and Alma Gazette granted letters testamentary.

Estate of Gilbert Maxwell Dorsey, deceased. Probate of will continued to December 29.

Estate of Eugene Squier, deceased. C. E. Squier granted letters of administration, bond $500.

Estate of E. R. Smith, deceased. C. E. Smith granted letters of administration, bond $250.

Estate of Walter E. Tolley, deceased. Bertha E. Tolley granted letters of administration, bond $250.

Estate of Peder Frandsen, deceased. L. Lyders granted letters of administration, bond $500.

Continental Casualty Co. vs. Garrett B. Ludlow. Demurrer continued to December 29.

G. Petrini vs. Zaira Petrini. Order to show cause continued to December 29.

Nellie M. Sturtevant vs. Rodney I. Sturtevant. Motion to modify decree of divorce continued to January 5.

Petition of Knights of Columbus Hall Association for leave to sell real property granted.

Petition of Ladies' First Spiritual Aid Society to sell property granted.

Petition of Mary's Help Hospital to sell real property dropped from calendar.

Workman Packing Co. vs. A. K. Kavanaugh et al. Further trial continued to December 29.

Aetna Casualty and Surety Co. vs. F. J. Vanderleith. Demurrer overruled and defendant given 20 days to answer.

Anna Z. Nolan vs. James Nolan. Demurrer sustained and plaintiff is given ten days to amend complaint.

People vs. Charles Williams. Defendant to plead on December 29.

C. D. Leib vs A Davila et al Judgment ordered for plaintiff.

George W. Walker vs. J. E. Bennett et al. Judgment ordered for the plaintiff.

George E. Baker vs. S. J. Haines. Judgment ordered for plaintiff.

W. J. Gadberry vs. Nellie Gadberry. Interlocutory decree of divorce granted plaintiff.

DEATH OF MRS. WHOOTEN

Last Friday at her home in Berkeley Mrs. Margaret V. Whooten, a former old time resident of Redwood City, passed away. Mrs. Whooten was the widow of the late Frederick Whooten, who was engaged in the painting business here many years ago. The family left Redwood City nearly twenty years ago. Mrs. Whooten is survived by two daughters. Miss Elizabeth Whooten and Mrs. Charles Melberg. A son, George, passed away several years ago, and another son, Charles, died at the age of 12 years in this city.

Poets haver have been able to pen encomiums worthy of a woman whose life is given to her children's welfare above all else, nor critics to find sufficient anathema for women who place themselves and any imagined "art" or "talent" above motherhood.

A poor man likes to think that the rich have more troubles than he has.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Lawrence Dudley Sweeny, aged 35, and Sarah B. Vorhis, aged 33, both of San Francisco.

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John Puccinelli, aged 26, and Etta Wilson, aged 28, both of San Francisco.

Leonard G. Braun, aged 39, Los Angeles, and Frances S. Bullard, 27, San Francisco.

Pointed Paragraphs

It isn't much use to be going if you never arrive.

Men do not amount to much in lots of ways, but they seldom think it necessary to display their chests, backs and calves. They take it for granted that everybody knows they have them.

There is only one confidant that you can rely upon—yourself; and you can't always rely upon him if either a woman or liquor gets hold of him.

Greatness is wholly comparative. Probably a cockroach appears great to an ant.

A chronic loafer never seems to know when he is. He'll tell you either that he's sick or in hard luck.

A widow gets lots of sympathy, but did you ever notice, that is if she is not too badly hampered, she generally has more money and better clothes after her loss than before?

Advice is about the only thing you can give away and still have as much left. That's the reason we are so generous with it.

Marriage gets to be an old story about the time the husband runs out of new stories to tell her about himself.

You must watch your step. The rest of the world will watch your misstep.

If you are hungry and eat sufficient food, the hunger ends, but you can't satisfy a money hungry man with money.

It's a wicked world, no doubt, and you ought to be reformed, but where did you get the idea that you are big enough for the job?

Arguments sometimes are lost in the heat of debate that never were tried in the fiery furnace of common sense.

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN MATEO.

No. 2136

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

In the matter of the estate of Myles McDonald, also known as Jake McDonald, deceased.

John McDonald, the administrator of the estate of Myles McDonald, also known as Jake McDonald, deceased, having filed herein his petition, duly verified by affidavit, praying for an Order of this Court authorizing, empowering, and directing him, as such administrator, to mortgage the real property of said deceased therein, and hereinafter described, for the purpose set forth in said petition; and it appearing that it will be of advantage to said estate that said mortgage be made,—

It is ordered by the Court, that all persons interested in the estate of Myles McDonald, also known as Jake McDonald, deceased, do appear before this court on the 26th day of January, 1922, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, then and there to show cause, if any they have, why the real property of siad estate, described below, or some part thereof, should not be mortgaged for the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred ($2,500.00) Dollars, as prayed for in the petition of John McDonald, the administrator, this day filed, or for such lesser amount as to the Court shall seem meet. Reference is made to said petition for further particulars. Said real property is situated in the County of San Mateo, State of California, and is more particularly described as follows, to-wit:

The North-west quarter of Section 20, Township 8 South, Range 4 West, M. D. B. & M.

It is further ordered, that this order to show cause be published once a week for four successive weeks before the day of hearing, in the Times-Gazette, a newspaper of general circulation, published in said County of San Mateo.

Dated: December 19th, 1921.

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THE NEW SCHOOL

Editor Times-Gazette: While the high school authorities are considering their plans for the new school building it may not be out of place to offer a suggestion or two. First of all, the building should not be put up for the purpose of encouraging educational fads. These fads change so often and are so expensive that it is a great waste of money to provide for them, especially in the building line. Just for example take the matter of physical education. That is the present fad that has gained great headway in California schools. Its absurd development is seen in the preparation of expensive gymnasiums and athletic fields that are in use for only a small portion of the time. Pupils devote quite a bit of attention and much of their enthusiasm to school athletics. But when requested to indulge in anything like real physical exertion, such as gardening or helping around the home they are quite likely to refuse on the ground that it will perhaps interfere with athletic "form." The star athlete is of little use in a practical world. Physical exercise is one of the necessary things in healthful growth, but mere athletics that do nothing but develop some special sporting ability are rather useless.

As to the building itself, it should be erected with the idea that it is to be used all the time. It should not be erected as an architectural ornament to the city, something that will be a monument for its builders and architects. Monuments are all right in cemeteries, but a school building is for live people. Inasmuch as educational ideas change rapidly it is well to consider making the structure of such a nature that it can readily be adapted to any use. When built with the idea of accommodating a variety of departments, each in a separate portion of the whole building, in apartments designed specially for specific purposes, these is bound to be tremendous waste. The special instruction will call for use of the special rooms for only a small portion of the time, leaving it idle for the greater part of the week. That is economic waste that should be avoided.

If anyone wants to enjoy an apple in the highest degree he will get it fresh from the tree and bite into it, disposing of the luscious fruit in a wholesome, natural way. But there are those who would argue that the apple must be sterilized, that a special knife should be supplied for peeling, another for cutting out the core, a tray demanded to carry the fruit from the basket and a plate to hold it before the paring process begins; then another plate supplied to hold the peelings and core. All of these extras do not make the apple nearly as enjoyable as when taken au naturel, nor do they add anything to the nourishment gained. So it is with educational methods and facilities. The pupils want the fruit of education, not the trimmings and unnecessary externals trappings. The trustees will be doing the best for the interests of the community if the trimmings are reduced to the minimum and efforts concentrated on dispensation of knowledge.

OBSERVER.

The grand jury held a short session at the court house last week, transacting some routine business. The members had intended to visit the county hospital, but the threatening rain prevented them from making the trip. The jury will hnld another session on January 3 at the court house.

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